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# FIRST HEATLESS

Business East of Mississippi Generally Suspended-Manufacturing Plants Idle.

CO-OPERATION IS COMPLETE

Embargo on Freight in Effect on Pennsylvania Railroad. Others May Be Made.

Washington, Jan. 21.-Business activity generally east of the Mississippi river was suspended today for the first ordered by the fuel administration to release coal for private consumption and transatlantic shipping.

At the same time manufacturing plants throughout the east were idle for the fourth successive day in compliance with the administration's five day closing order, effective last Fri-day and designed also to save coal and assist materially in relieving the traffic congestion.

Fuel officials declared there had been a radical change of feeling in the country regarding the orders. were co-operating fully, they said, and virtually complete acquiescence was expected of concerns affected by the Monday closing program begun today.

Food Dealers Cpen All Day.

Although this order only forbids the use of fuel for heating, officials were sure business would cease and Dr. Garfield last night issued a direct request that retail establishments, except food and drug stores close their doors for today received requests to observe the was changed to Tuesday by a special ruling Saturday, opened as usual. Owners and leaders of office buildings today, received requests to observe the in doperate no light and elevators except for the use of excepted persons or concerns, such as dentists and doctors, who are housed in their building. Stores handling food, permitted to keep open until noon by the original order, were granted special dispensation last night under which they may sell goods throughout the day. Drug stores are expected to use fuel for the sale of irugs only, but officials pointed out hat there was no way to prohibit the ale of other articles unless store proprietors followed the Intent of the or-Weather Handicaps Work.

Handicapped by another cold wave overing the greater part of the counry east of the Rockies and adding to oal to favored classes and straighten he freight tangle. Reports at the oflice of the fuel administration said that hip interests had been increased, but here was little hope for material 1 rovement in traffic conditions until he weather moderated.

Those who have urged a general emlarge against shipment of freight from plants shut down by the closing order still believed today that such action would be necessary before the congestion is improved. A general embargo on freight was put into operation on Pennsylvania railroad today and ther roads are expected to institute milar embargoes on other heatless Mondays if the jam is not broken .

COLUMBIA STOPS WORK. Columbia, S. C., Jan. 21.-Business here was generally suspended today, due to the heatless Monday order,

many establishments being closed for the first time in their history. TWIN CITY OBSERVATION IS

Winston-Salem, N. C., Jan. 21.— Winston-Salem today was observing strictly the heatless Monday order. All manufacturing plants and stores

AUGUSTA WEATHER WARM. Augusta, Ga., Jan. 21.—The first heatless Monday found about 25 per cent of the business houses in Au-gusta closed. A large proportion of those keeping open are operating without heat, but the weather was comparatively warm.

RALEIGH PATRIOTIC. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 21.—Business in Raleigh was suspended today in accordance with the heatless Monday order. Only banks, drugstores, theaters, newspaper offices and food shops

ALBANY TO PAY EMPLOYES. Albany, Ga., Jan. 21.—Heatless Monday found all the retail stores in Albany closed, except groceries, which will remain open till noon, and drugstores, which were observing Sunday hours. The Retail Merchants' association voted for the full-day closing, the fact that many winter days in this section are warm enough to dispense with fuel. All employes are to be paid in full.

MOBILE CLOSES PLANTS. Mobile, Ala., Jan. 21.—The Monday closing order was observed in Mobile manufactories and plants, but the majority of the wholesale and retail stores remained open for a part of the

RIGID CLOSE-UP IN JACKSON Jackson, Miss., Jan. 21.-Jackson observed its first heatless Monday to the letter. Every store in the city was closed and drug and food stores ob-served the rules rigidly. A sleet storm and sidewalks like glass added to the

deserted appearance of the city.

BORROW ALL TRUBKS. Memphis, Jan. 21.—Nonessential business was at a standstill here today in observance of the fuel administration's "heatless Monday" order, while fuel dealers, with the aid of trucks and delivery wagons donated by closed business houses, made strenuous efforts to recover from the handicap of snow and ice-covered streets and catch up with orders. Coal merchants generally were a week or more behind in deliveries.

FUEL MANDATE OBEYED. Lynchburg, Va., Jan. 21.—The first heatless Monday was greeted here by zero temperature; but Lynchburg never experienced such a general closparis, Jan. 21.—"Aside from the ments are closed. Stores are observing drinks by the score, for sale. The never experienced such a general closing. It is believed all have obeyed the mandate of the fuel administration.

| Used. One or two small establish there'll be more, And "bootleg" soft ments are closed. Stores are observing drinks by the score, for sale. The usual artillers fire, there is nothing to the rule and there will be a business weather? Snow flurries are probable, mandate of the fuel administration.

## **BOLSHEVIK TROOPS GUARD** MONDAY ARRIVES DESERTED ASSEMBLY HALL

(Associated Press Review.)

Russia's constituent assembly had before it was dissolved early Saturcongress of workmen's and soldiers' succeeded by the workmen's and soldiers' congress, which has been supporting the Lenine government.

Dissolution came after the bolsheviki adherents had been defeated in bly. Bolshevik troops now guard the of the series of ten heatless Mondays deserted assembly meeting place and Premier Lenine announces he will not permit the delegates to reassemble. jority will submit to the bolshevik orders without protest is not yet clear.

> serious strikes in Austria. More than Asolone sector and along the Plave. 100,000 workmen have quit work in the vicinity of Vienna as a protest against Germanism and in favor of peace with Russia and has grown too bases on the Belgian coast.

strong "to be stemmed by force." British warships finally have evened the score with the former German been in existence only a few hours warships Goeben and Breslau. In an action at the entrance to the Dardanelles Sunday the Breslau was sunk and the Goeben, suffering serious damage, was beached. The British losses were two monitors, one commanded by a nephew of Earl Kitchener and whose fate is unknown. The former German ships have been the mainstay of the naval defense of Constantinople since they found refuge there from pursuing British and French vessels at the opening of the

> Much damage had been done to Russian transports and supply ships in the Black sea by the two vessels.

ity on the western front has been accompanied by more frequent raids on both sides. There have been no at- today. tacks in force, however, and there is the winter inactivity. On the Italian CONFRONTED BY With the pan-Germans in the polit- front there has been only artillery ical ascendency in Germany there are fighting, most marked in the Monte

brought down Saturday in France by peace. The Vienna correspondent of French and British airmen. Entente one German newspaper says the Aus- warships have bombarded Ostend, one trian strike movement demands speedy of the important German submarine

First arrest for violating

government fuet order came shortly afternoon Monday when

his business on Monday con-trary to the government order.

He was arrested at the corner of

was taken to the city jail. His

hearing was set to come up be-fore United States Commis-

sioner Sam McAllester during the afternoon. The car he was

driving was being operated in-dependently and specialized in

transporting persons to and

from Chickamauga park.

**WILSON TO FIGHT** 

**BILL TO FINISH** 

Washington, Jan. 21.-President Wil-

president will fight to the finish" was

The war cabinet, the bill provides.

have the following jurisdiction au-

Bill Provides as Follows.

"To consider, advise and formulate

plans and policies, general and special,

direct and procure the execution of

"To procure and determine, upon its

own motion or upon submission to it subject to review by the president, all

that may arise between any such de-

partments, officials and agencies of the

Another section would give the war

Exists Six Months After War.

thority to make any necessary orders

to any department or bureau and all

directed to assign to the cabinet such

other officials to serve as subordinates

of the cabinet, each with a salary of

12,000 annually. An initial appropria-

A provision limiting the life of the

war cabinet to six months after the

termination of the war or at any ear-lier date after peace which the presi-

The cabinet would be given author-

ity over construction of appropriation acts, subject to the president's re-

HOLIDAY OF HEATLESS DAY

New Orleans, Jan. 21.—New Orleans presented a holiday appearance in

complying with the fuel administra tion's order for a heatless Monday. Large and small retail stores, except-ing groceries, and many office build-

ings were closed, street cars operated on Sunday schedule and the cotton exchange was closed.

Hayden Wren, superintendent of the dock board, reported today there has

been no delay to shipping here and vessels have been supplied with

bunker coal as rapidly as needed. The

increased supply of coal.

ASHEVILLE COTTON

railroads, he said, were bringing in an

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 21.-Cotton

mills and other plants are today oper-ating all the factory or part of it on

MILLS IN OPERATION

ion of \$500,000 is proposed.

dent may designate is provided.

NEW ORLEANS MAKES

thority

bureaus.

### **VIOLATORS TO BE** FIRST ARREST FOR USING FUEL TODAY CHECKED AT ONCE Patrolman Howard Peck took into custody J. H. Abbott, a chauffeur. Abbott is charged with using gasoline to carry on

New York, Jan. 21.-Almost deserted streets in the downtown business section and shopping districts gave evidence today that industrial New York generally observed the first of the "heatless Mondays."

Skyscraper office buildings virtually were untenanted; great department stores closed their doors; hundreds of factories and small business houses were idle. All transportation lines in the city and commuting service were run on holiday basis. Food stores were winter's record of the severest open, as were specially exempted inweather in recent years, railroads en-leavored to increase the movement of

New York stock exchange opened for business, but without heat, and banks the supply to householders and steam- did business as usual. Saloons were privileged to open until sunset on confficials directing the railroads asserted dition that they did not use either fuel or light. Local fuel administrators even leaders in the senate that he will use tricity.

To assist the fuel administrators in the word brought to the capitol today. enforcing the order a special force of detectives under United States Marshal McCarthy was detailed for duty, assisted by volunteer workers from various federal and city departments. The authorities were prepared to institute proceedings promptly against vio-

lators of the orders.

The advent of colder weather had a discouraging effect on the transporta-tion officials, who have been making prosecution of the existing war and to imost superhuman efforts to relieve freight congestion and to bring more coal into the city. The increasing ice menace in the harbor has held up hundreds of coal laden barges from tide-50 per cent, of the tugs in the harbor mission by ice damage.

#### BREAK ICE TO OPEN WAY TO PITTSBURG MINES

Pittsburg, Jan. 21 .- With the temperature below zero and a heavy fog government." hanging over the entire district, rail- cabinet power to use the service of roads were seriously hampered in any or all executive departments and their efforts to clear the freight con-Subject to review by the president, the proposed cabinet would have augestion today. The plan to get coal to mills along the Monongahela river by breaking the sixteen-inch ice in the third pool and thus open a way the necessary rules and regulations. to the mines south of the city was The secretaries of war and navy are carried out yesterday, but it was necessary to keep boats moving today, as commissioned officers as may be re-the ice formed quickly in the low quired, and the president may appoint temperature.

## **MURDERED LYING** IN HOSPITAL BED

Petrograd, Sunday, Jan. 20.-A. I. Shingaroff, minister of finance in the Kerensky cabinet, and Prof. F. F. Kokoshkine, state comptroller under Kerensky, were murdered in. their beds last night at the marine hospital.

#### QUESTION THAT RANKLES IS, "WHO IS TO DO IT?"

London, Jan. 21.—The constituent assembly, the Petrograd correspon-dence of the Daily News says, had nothing of the character of a serious meeting of patriots prepared to work together for the creation of a new Russia. There is no essential differ-ence between the aims of the social revolutionists and the bolsheviki, their opposition being merely personal. The correspondent adds:

"Russia, judging from Friday's meeting, is fairly unanimous regard-ing what it wants. The queston is less what is to be done than who is

NOTHING TO REPORT

No "Late" Edition Today

of the fuel administrator of the United States. The News issues only two editions today, this being the number issued on the last national holiday, Jan. 1. The "Early" and Jan. 1. The "Early" and "Home" editions will be issued as usual, but there will be no "Late" edition.

# **GERMANS PARLEY**

Amsterdam, Jan. 21.-The negotiations between the central powers and the Ukrainian "people's republic" at Brest-Litovsk have resulted in an agreement on the principles of a peace treaty which is to be concluded and Increased artillery and aerial activ- the war be declared terminated, according to advices from Brest-Litovsk

# **CANCELED CHECK**

J. H. Daly Placed in Embarrassing Position by Evidence Before Grievance Committee.

A sensation was eprung at the meeting of the grievance committee Monday morning when a check for \$250 made out to J. H. Daly and signed by Edna Brown and which Mr. Daly had previously told the committee he had destroyed because it was valueless, was produced and was shown to have been cashed by Mr. Daly at the Hamilton National bank. The check was produced and Sam A. Strauss, assistant cashier, stated that he remembered the transaction of Sept. 7 for the reason that Mr. Daly was notified the check was good and came to the bank and got the money on it. Mr. Strauss also produced a deposit object is to "take the government slip which showed that the following day Mr. Daly had received the money on the check, that he had come to the bank and deposited in cash \$250. Mr. Daly when confronted by Mr. Strauss and the check stoutely denied that he had gone to Mr. Strauss about the check and denied that he had ever gone to him about any check. "Are you sure," asked Mr. Daly, "that I preson has served notice on democrat sented that check and got the money on forbade the use of lamps, lanterns or all his influence and power to beat the replied Mr. Strauss. The incident bill to create a war council. "The came as one of the closing incidents of a three day session held by the committee, for the purpose of investigating accusations that several young criminal shall be appointed by the president lawyers were soliciting the business of with the consent of the senate and is to making bonds and representing imlawyers were soliciting the business of moral women, who had been arrested in connection with the soldiers.

Claims Woman Left Town. Seceral days ago at the hearing given Mr. Daly, Capt. Kern recited the Edna Brown case in which the women had been arrested three times on the | national same night on the same charge of being | called to assist the director-general of "To supervise, co-ordinate, direct and in company with soldiers. He stated railroads, control the functions and activities of that on one of the occasions Mr. Daly tribute to all executive departments, officials and had signed the bond and that he had agencies, it may be necessary or ad-met Mr. Daly and told him that the visable x x x for the effectual conduct Brown woman was one of the worse and vigorous prosecution of the existing women he had to contend with. He said that Mr. Daly then said that he would immediately surrender However, Capt. Kern said he later learned that Mr. Daley had gone to differences and questions relating to the woman and hed her give him a the conduct and prosecution of the war check for \$250 to cover her bond in the event she left, and then had run her off and had kept the money. Capt. Kerns further stated that the Brown woman had been spen coming check for \$250 to cover my bond and in out of the hotel where she was

stopping, and Mr. Daly was carrying her grips. Later at the trial Cap.
Kern said that Mr. Daly had told and they told him that the never had a deposit there and Judge Fleming the woman had left never had a deposit there, and later at town and that some woman hollored out the police station he tore up the cheese the police station had been supported by that Daly had taken the woman's Mr. Daley when testifying, stated stated by a Denied Cashing Creck. that on Sept. 7 he was called by a woman who ran the hotel where the Brown was living, and told that Edna Brown was in jail and she wanted a lawyer to get her out. Mr. Daly said made the woman's bond and received \$25 for same. He said he left police that Mr. Daly had come to station and went to Thompson's restaurant, where he met Capt. Kern and told him of the Brown incident, whereupon Capt. Kern told him that the woman was a bad one and would jump her bond. Mr. Daly stated that he then went in search of a policeman at the corner of Ninth and Market street, but but could find no officer there. He said it was then he decided to go and arrest the woman himself and when he was coming down the steps with her grips and he stopped and accused her of jumping her bond. It was then she

### SNOW, SAYS BILLY 'POSSUM



No plumes smoke pollute the sky. To scintilate on passers by their soot; And "dopes" cannot be bought today, It matters not how much you pay to boot; And at the jail, they tell to me, No lawyers around in glee to bail; It's strange,

war; And, friend, there's no use gethydroelectric energy, no steam being ting sore, Just grin and bear it— used. One or two small establish-ments are closed. Stores are observing drinks by the score, for sale. The

## LIBERATION OF OPPRESSED CALLED STRIKES SPREAD FOR BREAK WITH BOURGEOIS

cree issued by the central executive committee of the congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates dissolving the constituent assembly says that the revolution created by the workmen's and soldiers' council as the only organization able to direct the struggle of the exploited working classes for complete political and economical liberation, during the first period of the revolution the workmen's and soldiers' congress, it is added, ruptcy of the workmen's and peasperceived the illusion of an understanding with the bourgeois and its deceptive parliamentary organization and realized that the liberation of the oppressed classes was impossible without a rupture with the bourgeois.

"Therefore the revolution of November arose, giving all authority to the congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates," the decree says. constituent assembly, being elected from the old election lists, was the expression of the old regime when authority belonged to the bourgeois. The people who voted for the social revolutionists were unable to distinguish those of the right, who were partisans of the bourgeois, from those of the left, who were partisans of so-cialism. Therefore the constituent assembly necessarily become the authority of the bourgeois republic, set-ting itself against the revolution of November and the authority of the workmen's and soldiers' councils." The revolution of November, the de-cree continues, has shown the work-ers that the old bourgeois parliamen-

Terms of Decree.

Petrograd, Sunday, Jan. 20 .- The de- | tarianism had had its day and was incompatible with the tasks before socialism and that only such institutions as the workmen's and soldiers' councils were able to overcome the opposition of the rich classes and create a new socialist state.

Would be Backward Step.

"Every refusal," it adds, "to recog-nize the authority of the republican workmen's and soldiers' councils and to place in the hands of the constituent assembly and the bourgeois liberty which had been won would be

"The constituent assembly opened on Jan. 18, and for known reasons gave a majority to the social revo-lutionists of the right—the party of Kerensky, Tchernoff and Avksentieff. It is comprehensible that this faction refused to debate the just and clear program of the central executive committee of the congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates, and to recognize a declaration of the rights of ex-ploited working classes, as well as the revolution of November and the au thority of the workmen's and sol-diers' council."

Fighting Against Council. This, the decree says, made a breach in the assembly and the departure of the bolsheviki and social revolutionists of the left inevitable. The social The food situation and the question revolutionists of the right, it says, are of peace were the sole objects of disfighting openly against the authority of the workmen's and soldlers' coun-cils and supporting the exploiters of labor, and if this party only remained deputies on Friday. The socialists, activities and the dispatch described the bourgeois counter revolution. The bourgeois counter revolution, decree concludes: "The central executive committee

## **MAKING POLITICS OUT OF WAR IS CHARGE**; **TEDDY KAISER'S AGENT**

Washington, Jan. 21.-Characterizmost potent agent the kaiser has in of the criticisms in that case has been America" and "the most seditious a failure to call him to supreme comman of consequence in America," Sen-mand of military forces. ator Stone, addressing the senate today, charged that republican leaders are engaged in a studied effort to well as Wood."

"Gen. Pershing is his equal," the senator said, "and a republican as well as Wood." make politics out of the war. Their over into their own hands" by partisan criticism of the conduct of the war, he declared.

Senator Stone's address, carefully prepared, the first of political significance made in congress since the United States entered the war, and cance made in congress since the United States entered the war, and regarded as the forerunner of bitter partisan strife, exceriated partisanship lican plans were shrewd. He tapped partisan strife, exceptated partisanship in the war. Besides Col. Roosevelt, the Missouri senator named Chairman Willcox, of the republican national committee, and Senator Penrose committee, and Senator Penrose and Republican Bolshevik Government Proclaamong republican leaders as his "wit- Leader Gallinger took notes as he pronesses" to the political plot he alleged, ceeded Senator Penrose and Senator Investigations by congress of war op- Lodge whispered in conference and the erations, Senator Stone also declared. Massachusetts senator also took noter have almost entirely been launched by on the address. It was apparent republicans and adroitly exploited for the republicans were preparin

partisan purposes.
Mr. Root Not a Jove. Senator Stone dealt with published criticisms of the administration for not making use of the capabilities of the republicans prominent in public life, such as Col. Roosevelt, Gen. Leonprominent in public ard Wood, former Senator Root, for mer President Taft and Charles E Hughes. He pointed out that Mr Root had been sent to Russia on in appointing state explosives inspecting important mission and that former in appointing state explosives inspections.

Chairman Willeax, of the republican tors.

"All the references made to me are "All the references made to me are "and Paparese," and I Root had been sent to Russia on an tor Stone's statement of partisanship not regard his former colleague as "a that partisan, dyed in the wool, notoafter speaking on Olympus." After speaking of the abilities of explosive inspect ome others named. Senator Stone ty-eight states?"

added:
"Mr. Taft and Mr. Hughes I pass in is not mistaken," Senator Stone rerespectful silence."

replied that she was going to the station, but did not intend to leave until the following day. Mr. Daly said that the woman said, "I will give you a case I leave you would be protected."

The next morning Mr. Daly stated that he took the check to the bank never had a deposit there, and later at He said he told Judge Fleming that the woman had run off and Judge

It was the check that Mr. Daly stated he had torn up that he was confronted with Monday morning. stoutly denied to the committee and then went to the police station and Mr. Strauss that he cashed the check, but Mr. Strauss was equally positive got the check cashed, and had got the the same amount as the check had been cashed for the preceding day. ing of Percy Long, and furnished some diversion from the charges and denials of the transactions of Mr. Long.

The committee was only in session keepers, who disregarded the spirit of about an hour and adjourned till Wednesday morning, at which time Sergts.

Woodward and Cummings will be brought before the committee. Daly incident came during the hearbrought before the committee

> J. H. Anderson, who is a member of the committee and who has been con-fined to his home on account of libress. Twelve proprietors of saloons and was present at Monday's session of the committee. Mr. Anderson has returned to his usual good health and spirits.

### RULING AS TO SHIPPERS

UPHELD BY HIGH COURT Washington, Jan. 21 - Ruling of lower federal courts that shippers awarded reparation by the interstate commerce commission for freight overcharged may recover the excess without proving actual damages, or that they had not shifted the extra burden to consumers, was today sustained and put into operation by the supreme

ing former President Roosevelt as "the edly to great responsibilities, the sen-

In anticipation of the speech galleries were packed and many members went to the senate chamber. Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, whose presence was especially re-

quested by Senator Stone, and other republican members listened atten-Emphasizes With Gestures.

were preparing to

make some speeches As he began presenting his "wit-nesses" Senator Stone named Senator Penrose and glanced from his reading to the Pennsylvania senator, who, ap intently at the speaker and fingered a

booklet while sitting at ease Senator Penrose interrupted Sena-

literally true," said Penrose, "and I am astounded at my own moderation. explosive inspectors in all of the for-

torted, and proceeded with his address

## U. S. FEDERAL OFFICES IN PORTO RICO GUARDED

San Juan, Porto Rico, Jan. 20.—Military guards today were placed about the federal building, in which are located virtually all the offices of the United States insular govern-ernment after officials had received information considered important. Guards were also placed on bridges near the city and at other important points.

court. The appeal was brought by twenty-four transcontinental lines from reparation awards to seven hardwood lumber shippers of Memphis, Tenn., Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana and Wisconsin.

#### BARTENDERS WEAR SWEATERS IN CHICAGO

be and 1 o'clock a.m., although no fuel to was used. Liquor dealers are required testify to charges made by Capt. by state law to close their places on order is being observed by the vari-Kern and denied by Mr. Long. Capt. Sunday, but they may open between our lines affected. Public schools are Kern charged that he had heard Mr. midnight and 1 o'clock Mondays, clos- closed. Loose floor tobacco ware-

that he ever at any time made such a heat had been turned off. The electies, Kentucky, announce the closing remark. guished, wax candles being used in

> poolrooms had been reported to fed eral authorities by police early today, and M. J. McCarthy, secretary of the Liquor Protective association, ex-pressed the opinion that a large number of saloonkeepers plan to operate today without heat. It was estimated that 200,000 persons were idle today in the Chicago district, in addition to some 400,000 others who were left without work by Dr. Garffeld's order

closing factories and other industries

last Friday.

General fuel conditions became less stringent here today with the arrival of 100,000 tons of coal yesterday. This amount is practically Chicago's nor-mal shipment of coal.

## IN DUAL EMPIRE

Movement of Unrest Through Austria-Hungary Related to Demand for Peace.

FOOD SITUATION IS ACUTE

Socialists Seek to Calm Workmen by Assurances War Will Be Concluded.

London, Jan. 21 .- The strike movement is spreading throughout Austria-Hungary and it is associated with demand for immediate peace, according to dispatches received in Londo pest Friday, when the entire transpor system came to a standstill, while from all parts of the dual empire strikes and demonstrations are rported.

The food situation and the question cussion at the sitting of the budget committee of the Austrian chamber of poned. Count Von Toggenburg, th minister of the interior, told the deputles that Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, and Leon Trotzky, the Russian foreign minister, exhibited many similarities, which fact, he added, offered a guarantee that the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk would go

## SCHOOLS GENERALLY

(Special to The News.) Nashville, Jan. 21.-State Superin tendent S. W. Sherill received telegrams from many educators through out the state today reporting that h request that public schools close for three weeks, would be observed.

Only a few refusals have been re-ported to him. He was notified that the Knoxville, Dyersburg and Lebanor schools had already been closed for three weeks, and he thereupon with drew his request so far as those school

Chattanooga is the only city that has positively refused to comply with the request, so far as Prof. Sherrill has been informed.

## RUSSIANS ADVISED

mation Disclaims Deeds Accredited to Soldiers.

Petrograd. Jan. 20 .- The bolsheviki

government has issued a proclamation to the people of Petrograd saying in part: Enemies of the people spread the report that revolutionary

workmen and soldiers have fired on a peaceful labor demonstration. This is done for the purpose of sowing trouble in the ranks workers, causing excesses and inciting against the revolutionary leaders. It has been proved that the authors of these rumors fired at sailors, soldiers and workmen who are keeping order in the city. The central executive has opened a searching inquiry and the culprits will be tried by revolution-

The proclamation concludes by advising the people to ignore the ru-mors and remain calm and by assur-ing them that order is being main-tained by sailors, soldiers and work-

#### UKRAINIAN ELECTION GUIDED BY BOLSHEVIKI

Petrograd, Jan. 20.—The Ukrainian rada of Kharkov, controlled by the bolsheviki and a rival of the rada of Kiev, has designated three delegates go to the conferences at Brest-

The delegates came to Petrograd today and conferred with the bolsheviki authorities, who extended them rec-ognition and sent them to Brest-Liovsk with instructions to confer with the other Ukrainian delegates and de-termine who actually represents the Ukraine. Only fifteen Ukrainian memhers of a possible 100 attended the opening of the short-lived constituent assembly.

QUIET AT BATTLEFRONT. London, Jan. 21.—"The night passed quiet," the war office reports, "We captured a few prisoners in patrol en-

### NASHVILLE SCHOOLS CLOSE

Nashville, Jan. 21 .- Heatless Monday opened here with the thermometer at 3 degrees above zero. The closing between ous lines affected. Public schools are Long on several occasions go to the sergeant's window at police head-quarters and say, "What have you got in tonight?" Mr. Long stoutly denies muffled patrons in rooms where the ren. Simpson, Allen and Logan coun-

#### PARLEY GOES ON: TROTZKY LEAVES FOR PETROGRAD

Copenhagen, Jan. 21 .- Foreign Minister Trotzky, before leaving Brest-Litovsk, told Dr. Von Kuehlmann, the German foreign minister, according to a telegram from Berlin, that he was going to Petrograd for a week to report to the congress of workmen's and soldiers' delegates. He is quoted as having added that his departure in ne manner indicated a discontinuance of the negotiations, which would continue